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JAP OFFICIALS' HOMES ATTACKED

BODY OF ONE OF CREW FOUND IN SICILIAN WATERS

Fishermen Discover Body of Commander of Ill-Fated Craft Six Miles Off Coast of Sicily
All Hopes for Safety of Rest of Crew of Fifty Abandoned.

(By The Associated Press)
PARIS, Dec. 28.—An official announcement today says that the dirigible Dixmude had been lost at sea. The body of Lieutenant Grenadan, commander of the missing dirigible Dixmude has been found in Sicilian waters it was officially announced this morning.

The body was found by fishermen six miles from land off Sciacca, Sicily.

Its discovery was reported by the Italian maritime authorities to the French naval attaché at Rome.

A French cruiser and three torpedo boats were ordered to Sciacca.

The receipt of a telegram from the French naval attaché in Rome announcing that the body of Lieutenant Grenadan, commander of the missing dirigible, had been found in Sicilian waters caused all hopes of the safety of the Dixmude to be abandoned.

These hopes flared last evening on receipt of reports that the balloon had been seen floating helplessly over the Sahara desert.

The Rome advices convinced the officials there could be no possible doubt as to the identity of the body picked up, as Lieutenant Grenadan had an identification tag on his wrist.

Italian fishermen hauling in their nets at the end of their day's task last evening brought the body to the surface. After it had been extricated from the meshes it was found to be that of a French naval officer in full uniform.

A message received by the Minister of Marine from Sciacca confirming the news of the identification of the body of the Dixmude's commander says a thorough general search along the coast nearby has as yet yielded no trace of any other bodies or any aeronautical material.

STATE DEPT. TAKES HAND IN HONDURAS

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The State Department has taken a hand in the disturbed situation growing out of the presidential campaign in Honduras to the extent of expressing to the Central American republics the hope that the contest will be conducted in a peaceful and orderly manner.

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DANVILLE KLAN REQUESTS PASSAGE OF HEALTH LAW

R. P. Moss, clerk of the city council, has received an interesting letter from the Danville Ku Klux Klan, in which the city council is asked to enact an ordinance compelling all persons handling food in local restaurants to be subjected to a physical examination once a month by the city health department. The letter, which is addressed to "Officers and Members of Danville Klan No. 18," states that the health of the community is being threatened by the entire local Klan which has voted on the question.

The letter is as follows:

"Sir: That whereas we as individual patriots of and as an organization are not cognizant of there being a city law or ordinance requiring the city health department to give the cooks, waiters, waitresses, bar tenders, etc., who handle food in the cafe, public dining room, the restaurant, 'hot dog' stands, etc., a physical examination.

Therefore, we, as an organization composed of several hundred Danville men request and memorialize your most worthy city council to pass (if such a law does not exist) a law

REBELS GAIN VICTORIES

TAKE GROUND ON FRONTS IN TWO SECTIONS

Obregon Forces Abandon Pueblo Which Insurgents Evacuated For "Strategic Reasons."

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VERA CRUZ, Dec. 28.—Almost coincident with news of the victory of rebel troops under General Rafael Buelna over federal forces commanded by General Lazaro Cardenas in a battle near Irapuato, Guanajuato, insurgent headquarters here received word that the Obregonist forces had abandoned the city of Puebla, from which the rebels withdrew for "strategic reasons" several days ago.

The decision of the federalists to evacuate Puebla, it is said, was taken in consequence of the defeat of the loyalists sustained at Chignahuapan, a railway town about sixty miles to the north.

Rebel troops advancing over the Mexican railway line in accordance with the general plan to prevent President Obregon from moving troops at Puebla and Apizaco to the western front, met and defeated federalists from the latter town, it is reported, the victory being facilitated by the defection of the major part of the federalists.

Thus it appears here that the rebels have gained important ground on both the western and Vera Cruz fronts. They are also said to have occupied Manzanillo, an important west coast port in Colima.

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TOWN TOPICS

Archibald D. Keen reported today that the sum of \$824.11 has been collected in Danville to date from the sale of Christmas seals. Mr. Keen was chairman of the campaign.

He reported that the response made in Danville adding that it would be a substantial contribution to the milk fund which will provide this sustaining food for undernourished school children.

Mr. Keen stated this afternoon that he has still to hear from several persons to whom letters were addressed containing stamps for sale. He also has to hear from one or two of the schools and colleges.

In making his report today, he made the request that persons who have not yet turned in proceeds to do so without delay so that the campaign will be wound up. He expects that between twenty and thirty dollars will be collected before the campaign is over. The seals cost ten cents each, but have been definitely accounted for as sold.

Tomorrow will bring to an end the Christmas holiday and on Monday the local textile plants will resume operations after closing last Saturday at noon.

One of the members of the Schoolfield "House" today expressed the view that some encouragement had been given to that body in a recent appearance before it by H. R. Fitzgerald, president of the corporation, though he was careful to point out, no definite assurances were given on the subject of full time which will be governed by the condition of the welfare of the community.

The various welfare clubs and schools afforded a variety of entertainment for those who live there. Many of the workers however took the week's holiday to visit friends and relatives.

Commercial Bank Declares 5 P. C.

The Commercial Bank directors held their regular monthly meeting yesterday and after hearing reports on the condition of the bank by its officers, one which reflected an unusually good year, the regular semi-annual five per cent dividend, this amounting to \$5,000 which will be distributed among 75 stockholders.

The directors also declared a five per cent bonus to all of its employees. The amount thus distributed would be well pleased with the record made by the Commercial during the past year. The stockholders will hold their annual meeting on January 24th.

Colorado Man to Become I. C. C. Head

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Henry C. Hall, of Colorado, will become chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission on January 1, for a year. An announcement from the Commission today said that in the method of selecting the chairman in rotation, Commissioner Hall would succeed Chairman Meyer, who has served during 1923.

Wedding Licenses Issued

Wedding licenses have been issued by the clerk of the corporation court to the following:

Charles H. Mitchell, Wentworth, and Ola M. Roberts, of Red Bank.

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"DRUNK" OFFICER AND NEGROES HOLD UP PHYSICIANS' CAR

REIDSVILLE, N. C., Dec. 27.—Dr. M. C. Dixon, Madison physician, while making a professional call in the eastern edge of Stokes county before day Monday morning, was fired on by a Stokes county officer and one of the castings of his car was shot down.

According to Dr. Dixon, he was driving slowly through a particularly bad stretch of road when some one threw a flashlight in his face and commanded him to halt. But since Dr. Dixon could not see the face of the man holding the light, but did see a negro standing by his side with a pistol in his hand, he thought he was about to be held up and attempted to escape.

He had gone but a few paces, however, when he was fired upon four times with the result mentioned above. With one of his front castings flattened, the doctor stopped, and a white man and two negroes came up. The white man, giving his name as L. James, and stating that he was a Stokes county constable, expressed the intention of searching Dr. Dixon's car, but this the doctor refused to let him do unless a warrant was first obtained. One of the negroes was then ordered by James to go and secure a warrant, but none was obtained.

Closely following Dr. Dixon in another car was Dr. Paul Carter, another Madison physician, and he too was stopped and demand made to search his car. Neither car was searched, however.

Both Dr. Dixon and Dr. Carter stated that James was apparently drunk and that his breath smelled strongly of whiskey. His manner, they said was offensive in the extreme until they finally convinced him of their identity. When he adopted an ingratiating manner and offered the angry medical men whiskey and money in an endeavor to appease their wrath. His peace offers were refused.

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Congressman William D. Ephshaw, of Georgia, gave his lecture, "America—The Story," to a large audience Friday evening in the auditorium of the Baptist church, which was interesting and instructive. Mr. Ephshaw has many friends in Rocky Mount, and he has the good offices of Messrs. B. L. McNeil and W. R. Davis.

St. John's Day Is Celebrated Here By Masonic Order

Yesterday, December 27th, known in Freemasonry as St. John the Evangelist Day, was commemorated by the local lodges of the ancient fraternity in special communications, with the installation of officers for the ensuing year, and exercises of a character promotive of respect for the principles and tenets of the order and in some respects in the nature of an appeal for revival of enthusiasm and interest. Owing to the fact that Moritok lodge No. 210, A. F. and A. M., and Roman Eagle lodge No. 122, occupy the same lodge room in the Temple, Moritok lodge had its official installation and commemorative program on Wednesday evening, and Roman Eagle on Thursday evening.

Right Worshipful B. W. Beach, of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Virginia, presided in Moritok lodge during the formal installation ceremonies on Wednesday night, and the new officers inducted into office is as follows: J. W. Wellman, worshipful master; John B. McDaniel, senior warden; J. T. Luther, junior warden; T. A. Fox, treasurer; Dr. Dixon, secretary; L. F. Mitchell, senior deacon; B. O. Lee, junior deacon; Messrs. Jackson and Nunnally, stewards; J. T. Posey, tiller.

A number of interesting addresses, instructive and hortatory in character, were made by the stationed officers and visitors and by various members. Noteworthy among these was the address of Right Worshipful B. W. Beach. Laban Silverman, retiring worshipful master, was unable to attend, owing to bereavement in his family.

During the evening refreshments were served and a smoker was enjoyed by all, including visiting brethren. The St. John's Day celebration in the Roman Eagle lodge was noteworthy for the presence of many of the more active past masters of the lodge, but also for the absence of some who are usually present on these annual commemorative occasions. For the first time since August, Past Master Eugene Withers was present and he received a warmly cordial greeting from his brethren. During the evening he made an address of peculiar interest to the order.

The special address of the evening, however, was made by Rev. Charles L. Garrison, who spoke of "The City of Heart's Desire." His address was an admirable, concise and well delivered one, an allegory applied to Masonry and its membership, with a lesson for all. The speaker was warmly commended and acclaimed.

Another speaker was the Rev. J. Cleveland Hall, a man beloved of all his brethren. He spoke in a vein of enthusiastic appreciation of Masonry and of its beneficent influences and its stimulation of young life and character. Dr. Hall was given a fine appreciation by his hearers.

The installation of officers was conducted by Past Master W. C. Wooding, one of the most active and proficient members of the craft and one long honored by his brethren. He was assisted by Right Worshipful B. W. Beach, who presented the officers in a manner and all of them spoke briefly, pledging their interest and zeal in their work and their love of the order. The new officers are: S. C. Cunningham, worshipful master; Eugene H. Marshall, senior warden; Fred W. Townes, Jr., junior warden; H. W. Smith, treasurer; D. H. Penn, secretary; W. P. Jones, senior deacon; Richard E. Allen, junior deacon. The appointive officers include Rev. J. Cleveland Hall, D. D. chaplain, and S. J. Davis, tiller.

At the installation the retiring master was the recipient of a handsome gold watch as an expression of the esteem and affection of the brethren and as an appreciation of efficient and faithful service during his year as master. The presentation was made in a happy vein by the Rev. J. M. McElburne, D. D.

WESTBROOKS NOT AT CIRCUS AS REPORTED

It was erroneously announced in an afternoon paper yesterday that the Westbrook Concert Company would render several of their concert numbers at a circus now playing here. The announcement, it is further stated, was unauthorized by the Westbrook management, who knew nothing of such plan.

The Westbrook Company, which is well qualified for concert work, will go to the State Normal School at Farmville, Va., on January 5th, to fill a concert engagement.

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(By The Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—William E. Corey, who rose from obscure origin to the presidency of the United States Steel Corporation at 38 and who four years later abandoned his commanding position and married a musical comedy star after a romantic courtship, intends to settle permanently in France, according to his associates in the steel industry.

News that Mr. Corey intended to follow in the footsteps of the late Viscount Astor in expatriating himself, became known when it was disclosed last night that a farewell luncheon had been tendered him a fortnight ago by a group of his business associates.

A motive was given for the decision, which apparently followed closely the granting last month by a Paris court of a divorce to the second Mrs. Corey, who was Miss Mabelle Gilman, a musical comedy star.

It was made clear, however, that Mr. Corey had abandoned the business connections which held him here. The divorce granted Mrs. Corey last month marked the end of a romance which had fused the careers, socially and on the stage and in industry, Miss Gilman and the millionaire steel magnate.

Both began at the bottom of the ladder. Miss Gilman, a stage aspirant in San Francisco, Mr. Corey as an ambitious coal miner in Bradock, Pennsylvania, where he was born 55 years ago. She became one of the most successful actresses of her generation, he a towering figure in the steel industry.

Before his spectacular rise, Mr. Corey at 18, married 17-year-old Laura Cook, who remained his wife and companion during his struggle to the heights of power. While he gained prominence in Pittsburgh, Miss Gilman rose to stardom, via Broadway.

They met in Pittsburgh one night in 1912 when Mr. Corey was entertaining friends at a theatre where "The Mockingbird," with Miss Gilman as star, was playing. He then was head of the steel corporation.

Two years later the first Mrs. Corey, told a divorce court in Reno, Nevada, that she had been unable to induce her husband to return to her. She was granted a divorce with a settlement reported to have run into millions.

It was then that Mr. Corey resigned from the steel corporation. At 10:29 o'clock on the morning of May 14, 1917, he married Miss Gilman in a New York hotel. The ceremony was performed by a minister who subsequently returned payment for his services, declaring he was convinced he had done wrong in performing the service. The ceremony was held at the Long Island and Montclair Lavelle of St. Patrick's Cathedral had refused to marry them.

They left at once for France where Mr. Corey bought for his bride the Chateau de Villerose, which during the war, she turned over to the French government for use as a hospital, in which she served as a nurse. Later Mr. Corey divided his time between France and New York while his wife remained abroad most of the time.

Mr. Corey's active connection with the steel corporation was followed by his organization of the Midvale Steel and Ordnance Company. Then the merger of that company with the Bethlehem Steel Corporation marked the business reunion of two of the old time "Carnegie boys," Mr. Corey and Charles M. Schwab.

EMPLOY SPECIAL COUNSEL
(By The Associated Press)
BALTIMORE, Dec. 27.—Special counsel will be employed by this State to advise the attorney general in representing North Carolina interests in the hearing before the Interstate Commerce Commission on the proposed freight rate reduction against that State.

By L. C. OWEN.
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VACAVILLE, Calif., Dec. 27.—A half dozen hydro-electric engineers, snowed in by hazards and weather, are attempting to cut off from the outside world in a mountain camp 250 miles from here, today are attesting the verity of the old adage that "Necessity is the mother of invention."

Hemmed in by huge drifts from snows which started early last week, and confronted not only by a turkey-tail but by a foodless Christmas, when the only telephone line to the camp went out of commission, the party summoned both food and help by evolving a new method of "direct" radio transmission. Not only did they save themselves, but their experiments may go a long way towards revolutionizing present land use of wireless.

The results of their efforts to obtain Christmas day service is a new "wired wireless" system by which radio messages can be confined to one direction and sent without conflict with any other radio sending or receiving station in the use of the air.

The discovery was made when the engineers, who are employed in hydro-electric development work by the Pacific Gas & Electric Company, tuned a small radio set which they carried in the direction of high voltage transmission lines which ran past their camp.

The sound waves precipitated against the power wires were carried to the terminus of the lines here, a distance of 250 miles, where they were picked off by a small boy with an antenna.

Shortly after the first message was received, power company employees, using another powerful radio operator and his amateur sending set, were in full communication with the snow-bound engineers and help was on the way to them.

The value of the chance discovery, precipitated by necessity, according to radio experts here, lies in the possible use of all kinds of land lines in the same kind of "direct" sending. Not only can high tension lines be pressed into such service, they assert, but telephone and telegraph lines and even barbed wire fences can be utilized in the same way without interfering in any manner with their use. The "wired wireless" system, they declared, can be used to send messages when static conditions prevent use of regular radio methods.

James H. Dixon Dies At Ripe Old Age

James H. Dixon, probably the oldest barber in the city of Danville died at his home at the corner of Cabell street and Berryman avenue after an illness of three weeks. For two years he had been in failing health, his weakness becoming pronounced early in the month. Mr. Dixon was 86 years of age and was born in Delmont, Delaware. He came to Danville about 25 years ago and established a barber shop in what was known in that day as "the old Register building" at the corner of Main and South Union street. He was widely known and generally esteemed. He retired from active business about two years ago when the infirmities of old age began to tell upon him and he had lived out his days with his daughter and son. Mr. Dixon was for many years a member of Lee Street Baptist church.

Mr. Dixon is survived by his widow who was Miss Mary E. Kipp, of Poughkeepsie and three children, Mrs. J. H. Highfield, of Warfield, Va.; Miss Daisy Dixon, of Danville, and Nelson E. Dixon, also of this city.

The funeral will be held at 11 o'clock Saturday morning from the home by Rev. J. C. Holland. Interment will be made in Green Hill cemetery.

Wife Introduces 3 Children of First Marriage, He Quits

(By Chicago Tribune Service)
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Because a year after his marriage his wife produced three children of a prior marriage, of these existing in her own right, until that time, Henry G. France, twenty year old, of Brooklyn, today was granted a decree of annulment from Mrs. Annette France by Supreme Court Justice Lewis.

They were married in November, 1921. France being eighteen and his bride ten years older. The bride went off on a trip, France said, returning for their first anniversary with the children.

"I asked her whose they were," France testified, "and she replied 'They are mine. Just a little surprise for you.'"

Mrs. France did not oppose the suit.

Judge Clement Calls Special Court Term

(Special to The Bee)
CHATHAM, Va., Dec. 28.—Judge Turner Clement has called a special court for January 2nd for the purpose of disposing of the suit resulting from the will of Miss Patsie Caldwell, and such other civil or criminal issues which may be tried. It is unlikely that any other cases will be tried except the Caldwell will suit though an effort may be made to dispose of the damage suit instituted by Louise Tugman against the Riverside and Dan River Mills for the recovery of \$75,000. It is virtually certain that no criminal issues will be tried since Justice J. H. Huddell, the incoming Commonwealth's attorney, has not yet had time to familiarize himself with the pending criminal cases.

FINANCE OFFICERS GIVING THOUGHT TO CITY BUDGET

City finance officers are already beginning to give thought to the council budget for the next fiscal year, through which an anticipated income of \$1,000,000 and a quarter dollars will be disposed of. The city auditor this morning started the task of drawing up comparative figures and showing where the city's money went last year in order to furnish a means of dealing intelligently with the financial processes of the municipality. The new budget does not become effective until May 1st, but it takes, as a rule, fully 90 days to draw up the budget and to determine upon major improvements which shall be undertaken and the expenses incidental to the various city departments. At the proper time the Finance committee will begin holding meetings plotting the expenditures and other preliminary work necessary before the budget is whipped in to final shape. The auditor is studying the budget systems of other Virginia cities in the hope of finding some improvements on the present system. He finds that the city of Portsmouth instead of lining the budget to a definite plan of improvements, sets apart sums of money for each department or committee, the committee being held to accountability for the expenditure of such sums.

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CLARKE ATTEMPTING TO DESTROY KLAN CHARGE

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—E. J. Clarke, formerly high in the councils of the Ku Klux Klan, has been attempting for months to "destroy" the order, according to a statement issued by Milton Elrod, director of its department of publications and education, after the publication of Mr. Clarke's demand for reform within the organization or its dissolution.

Mr. Clarke's charge in a letter to President Coolidge that "an element" of the Klan was diverting it from the purpose and ideals of its founder and an announcement that he intended to call upon "the better elements" to take steps to "remedy the existing evils" or "disband the organization," brought from Mr. Elrod a declaration that the membership had grown from "less than one hundred thousand members after seven years of Clarke's tenure" to a "total membership of millions" and the present administration "The second source of the sin of purpose and the knowledge of Klan men themselves of their own ideals and high purpose" of the order and he referred "The Klanism of the nation" to "celebrated" 7-2-1, which reads: "Also take heed unto all words that are spoken, lest thou bear thy servant curse thee."

STUDENT



Emilliano Quijano, assistant secretary of finance of the Philippines, is en route to Columbia University, New York to pursue an intensive training in business management. The island government sent him to America and it's rumored a high post awaits him upon graduation from the American "school."

Poison Rum Took 875 Lives In 1923 In Philadelphia

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—Poisonous liquor was held responsible for the deaths of 875 persons in this city during the present year, in a statement published by Deputy Coroner Frank Paul today.

"This city is wide open," he continued. "So-called liquor is being sold openly on the corners. You can buy all you want. But most of it is poisonous. You can't buy the pre-war liquor for no one will sell it. They may call it imported stuff but most of it is either alcohol, denatured or colored alcohol, and is poisonous."

To guard against an old-fashioned New Year celebration here with new-fashioned liquors, Coroner Wm. R. Knight will place the city with posters showing photographs of the bodies of victims of poisonous liquors, and bring warnings against indiscriminate purchase and consumption of "drinks." Vendors of poisonous liquors will be charged with homicide wherever results of an inquest indicate death from their wares the coroner said, in making his announcement.

Woodrow Wilson 67 Years Old Today

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Woodrow Wilson is 67 years old today, but there were no celebrations or demonstrations to break the quiet routine of his home.

The former president spent the day much in the manner that he has passed his time in recent months. He continues his program of rest varied with frequent automobile rides into the country.

Despite technical defeat of government in chamber Thursday, Poincare has no intention of resigning.

Will seek to force measure for government, emphasize subsidy through with slight modification.

South African diamond mines produced 90,501 carats of diamonds in March, worth \$1,400,000.

It is claimed that crows eagles ravens and swans live to be 100 years old.

THE MERCHANT MARINE PROBLEM TAKEN UP BY PRESIDENT COOLIDGE

EIFFEL, NOTED ENGINEER, DIES

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
PARIS, Dec. 28.—Alexandre Gustave Eiffel, the engineer, who built the famous tower that bears his name, is dead. He was 91 years old.

The Eiffel tower, the world's highest structure, was built in the Champs de Mars, Paris, for the exposition of 1889.

It is now used not only as a point of vantage for sightseers, but for meteorological and scientific observations and as a radio station.

Eiffel was widely known as a builder of great metal bridges. He also designed the girders for the Panama Canal when the French company undertook to dig the waterway.

Va. to Become Center of Supply Anthracite Now

By GEORGE H. MANNING
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 27.—Virginia seems likely to become the center of the supply of the best substitute for straight Pennsylvania anthracite coal that has yet been found. With the supply of the Pennsylvania product diminishing, denatured or colored alcohol, and is poisonous."

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Issue Has Resolved Itself Into Three Phrases and Executive, Taking Advantage of Lessened Pressure of Public Affairs, Begins to Devise a Solution.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—President Coolidge is taking advantage of the lessened pressure of public affairs due to the congressional recess and the absence of many officials from Washington for the holidays to devise a solution of the long-vexing Merchant Marine problem, which has resolved itself for the present into three phrases. One is the selection of a few chairmen of the Shipping Board which has been made necessary by adverse action of the Senate Commerce Committee on the nomination of Edward P. Farley, of Chicago, now chairman of the board. Another is the formulation of a definite policy for operation of the government owned Merchant Marine, and the third is settlement of the question of the extension of the coastwise shipping laws to the Philippine Islands.

Mr. Farley yesterday requested the president to withdraw his pending nomination and indications are that Mr. Coolidge will comply with the request. In event one of the present commissioners is made chairman it is considered probable that E. C. Plummer, of Bath, Maine, or L. V. O'Connor, of Buffalo, N. Y., will be selected. Leigh C. Palmer, who was chief of the Navy Department's Bureau of Navigation during the war, is among those under consideration for the vacancy on the board caused by Mr. Farley's retirement but whether he is being considered for the chairmanship has not been disclosed.

In seeking to formulate a definite policy, for operation of the government ships, Mr. Coolidge has had conferences with Vice Chairman O'Connor of the board and Chairman Jones of the Senate Commerce Committee. As a result Senator Jones has been at work for several days preparing a memorandum on what he would recommend as a permanent policy. Any final decision with respect to a policy, however, is expected to await the selection of a new chairman.

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Regular Dividend Declared by Bank

The directors of the American National Bank, following their annual custom, met at the Country Club yesterday afternoon at one o'clock for dinner, following which an important business meeting was held.

The report showing the earnings during the year reflected increasing strength of the bank and its stable position as a financial institution in this city. The directors declared the regular semi-annual dividend of four per cent, on the capital stock, the disbursement to be made on January 1st to total about \$6,000, which will be distributed among 130 holders of stock. The directors also rewarded the staff of the bank by authorizing the payment of a five per cent bonus, this based on the annual salary of each attaché. The bonus will amount to about \$1,400.

The annual meeting of stockholders will be on January 8th.

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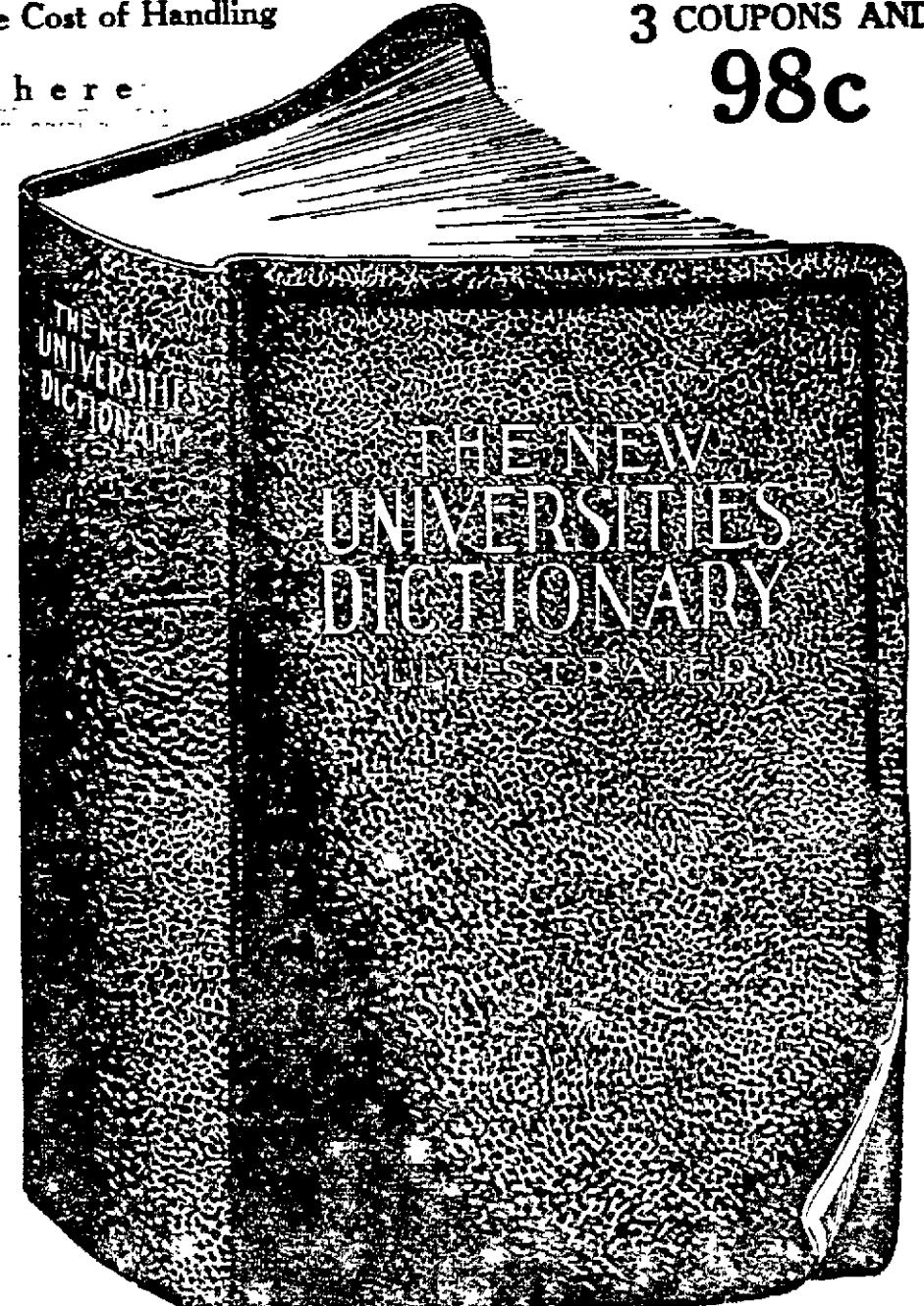
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U. S. and Western Golf Merger May Come Up at Meet

LAWRENCE PERRY
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NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Whether or not the recent statement that no attempt at merger between the United States Golf Ass'n. and the Western Golf Association will be attempted at the annual meeting of the United States Golf Association next month is official and final, remains to be seen.

The proposal it seems, came from sources within the Western organization and apparently marked a change in the guerrilla warfare that the Westerners have been waging against the so-called national body.

The term "so-called" is employed in the preceding paragraph advisedly and in deference to the contention of W. G. A. partisans that the United States Golf Association is not really representative so far as the golfers in this country are concerned.

One would have to be skilled in such elements of debate as sophistry, tergiversation and other evasive factors to prove this contention erroneous. One thing, however, is certain—the United States Golf Association does not represent Uncle Sam at the Court of St. Andrews, or to put it more clearly the voice of the United States Golf Association is the voice that speaks to England.

And here would seem to be the strongest brief that the Western Golf Association holds against the other body, the claim being that in politics of international play we are dominated by the English. Such technical matters as the stymie, out-of-bounds regulations and putters and punched and ribbed clubs and the like are held as evidence proving this fact.

If the Westerners cannot break this entente between the U. S. G. A. and England by sniping tactics they might through amalgamation of the two bodies. Thus the point of this merger talk is made clear. What will happen in this regard, if anything, will be the subject of the Hotel Astor in this city on January 4-5.

An interesting factor in the situation is the fact that the executive committee of the U. S. G. A., just now contains a majority of members affiliated with Western and Southern clubs. If this committee sponsors the amalgamation as is predicted will be the case, then the annual meeting should develop into a major engagement.

Those who are deeply concerned in the complete nationalization of American golf will undoubtedly stand back of any project designed to make this ambition a matter of fact as well as a matter of name.

At the same time no one can say aught of the governing authorities of the U. S. G. A. than that they have been self-sacrificing, kindly and benevolent. This being so, there will be sympathy for any fight the Old Guard makes in behalf of the integrity of the organization at the annual meeting even the unanimous support be lacking.

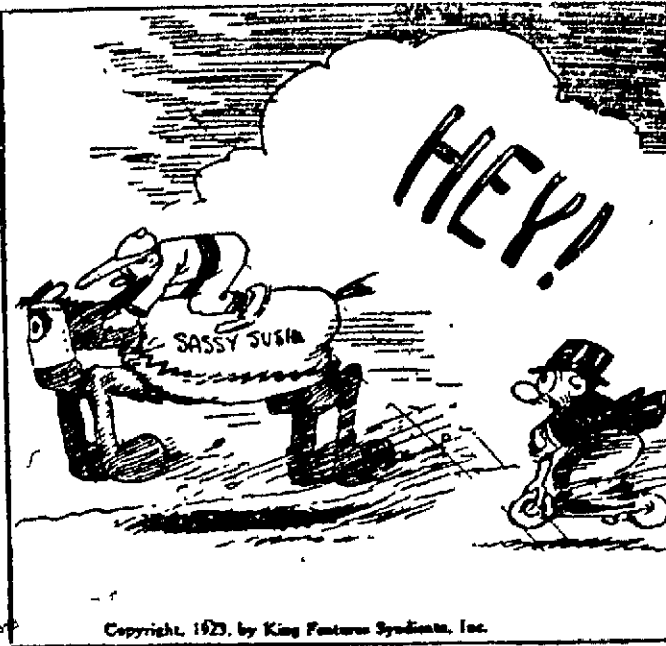
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JANUARY—Jole Ray makes final effort to lower record for mile run. Tex Rickard denies matching Dundee and Leonard again. Bill Tilden withdraws from tennis cup matches. Dempsey's engagement to blond girl in Follies announced.

FEBRUARY—Sammy Ginsberger takes up prize-fighting under name of Battling O'Rourke. Six-day bike races go back to work. New York referees give correct decision for once and game is closed down for ten days to commemorate event.

MARCH—Big league ball players go south for spring training. Florida bootleggers revise price scale upward. Charley Ebbets tells Miami Chamber of Commerce baseball is in its infancy. Judge Landis shoots Bellaire course in 97 and gives out interview, stressing hardships of baseball commissioner.

APRIL—Walter Johnson is lost to Washington club for season with sore arm. George Sisler surely due in line-up by middle of May. Jole Ray fails to lower mile record and

CARMEL LOSES ITS CHARM FOR VAGABONDS OF GENIUS

CARMEL-BY-SEA, Cal., Dec. 25.—This little city is becoming too civilized for the vagabond artist. Time was when wandering and impetuous writers, painters, sculptors, playwrights, actors and others of the gentry found Carmel a haven of practical sympathy. The community took them to its heart and, when they departed, tore up their I. O. U.'s and forgot. Carmel was proud of this tramp talent.

Rents were low then. It was even possible for a promising youngster to get a shack for nothing, and he could count on dining out at least three times a week. He could stay in bed

The Nut Cracker by Joe Williams

JUNE—Tilden reiterates in signed article in Times, Davis Cup matches must get along without him. Sisler, wearing smoked glasses, sees Browns lose fourteenth straight game from grandstand. Zev named to represent America in match race. Admiral Grayson charges discrimination and calls on Supreme Court for justice.

JULY—Dempsey's engagement to red-headed girl in "George White's Scandals" is announced. A. A. U. officials congratulate Paddock on winning 100-yard dash in Olympic games. Leonard and Dundee in draw. Rickard denies they will be rematched.

AUGUST—Walter Johnson fans 23 Cleveland batters in eight-inning game. Bobby Jones beaten in semi-finals in amateur championship

the rest of the time, if necessary. A sixty-day credit with the grocer was common.

But no more. Evil days have come. Taxes and the cost of living have been growing by bounds. First came electric lights and telephones, and the migratory Bohemians stood for that. But when, recently, the city trustees decided that Carmel needed a sewer system, and levied assessments accordingly, it was too much for them. Those here began to drift southward to some kinder climate and, the word going out that Carmel was not what it used to be, others quit coming.

There are still numerous writers, painters and musicians living there, but most of them are wealthy, or at least well to do, and willing to pay for the upkeep of a modern city.

Preparing YOU For the Worst

Babe Ruth is purposely passed for 328th time.

SEPTEMBER—Tilden wins singles championship in Davis Cup play. Jole Ray fails to break mile-run record by 3 minutes and 17 seconds. Waite Hoyt will pitch opening game against Giants in world series.

OCTOBER—Notre Dame eleven scores 110 points in opening football game. Columbia admits Haughton system is still in experimental stage. McGraw calls Yankees "lucky stiffs."

NOVEMBER—Firpo accuses referee of giving him raw deal in second Dempsey fight. Branch Rickey denies Hornsby is for sale. Landis' explanation of \$8.20 spent for hair tonic accepted by magnates at annual meeting.

DECEMBER—Wrestlers announce matches this season will positively be on the level. Battling O'Rourke buys three rows of apartment houses in Harlem. Dempsey says he has no intentions of marrying Peggy Joyce. Jole Ray fails.

COREY TO LEAVE U. S.

(By The Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Wm. E. Corey, millionaire steel magnate of Pittsburgh and former head of the United States Steel Corporation, who last month was divorced in Paris by his second wife, the former Miss Mabelle Gilman of San Francisco, intends to follow in the footsteps of the late Viscount Astor, and leave America for good. It was declared today by his associates in the financial district.

GREEN AND GOLD

A gown of gold lame cloth is uniquely draped so that the lining of green crepe is revealed at each step of the wearer.

Knotty Problems In Track and Field Athletics Faced

BY WALTER CAMP
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NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—There are several matters in connection with track and field athletics coming up for legislation shortly before the Inter-collegiate association and altogether that body will have no easy job in solving the problems they present.

These questions deal mostly with the field events. It has always been a puzzle to get these contests off promptly and satisfactorily and not have them drag and the association will be called on to take real steps to obviate the difficulties.

The providing of extra equipments is one thing which will come up under consideration. The question of having a contestant make two tries together instead of singly also will be threshed out.

Some consideration also is being given to establishing a certain standard of performance which contestants would have to show in order to qualify. Another suggestion is to balance the extra weight of field events by adding another track event such as a relay race or the 440 yard hurdles. This is counterbalanced by a suggestion for dropping one field event. If this is decided on, either the hammer or the discus would be eliminated. Starting of games earlier also will be considered.

Reflect on this, some of you who have boys trying out for varsity football teams in college. One of the reasons given for holding no "try outs" for the Olympic tennis team was that as the players sail June 1, "most of the contenders would not be in condition to do themselves justice in try-outs." Yet in football, the authorities have shortened the season of preliminary practice to two weeks. Keen Fitzpatrick, the Princeton trainer and an acknowledged expert on physical condition, expressed himself over a year ago as believing that the shortening of the preliminary work was dangerous. A boy, according to the tennis ruling would not fit to play tennis with six preliminary practices, yet he must play football with two weeks' work.

And now they are beginning to appoint chaplains for golf clubs. Perhaps this will prove the solution of Sunday golf by taking the church to

the links rather than closing the courses and attempting to drive the golfers to service.

JEWS ACCUSED OF RITUAL MURDER

(By the Associated Press)

BUDAPEST, Dec. 25.—The Jews of Budapest are accused of ritual murder by Deputy Lendvai, who declared in Parliament that a soldier named Tremmel had been attacked by the Jews in the Budapest Ghetto and killed for ritualistic purposes. The Jewish deputy Fabian interjected that the accusation was false. Minister of Interior Rakowsky replied that the affair was being investigated and that a Jew named Loebel had been arrested and would be tried. He refused, however, to make any statement on the merits of the case.

The Jews of Budapest are excited over the charge and declare the story was spread by anti-Semitic circles for the purpose of exciting the masses against them.

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Ladies' Putting Contest.
Dec. 31 Golf: Midwinter Tournament—4th day.
Jan. 1 Golf: Midwinter Tournament—last day.
Races: 5th Annual New Years Trot.
Jan. 10 Trap Shooting: 17th Midwinter Target Tournament—1st day.
Jan. 8 Trap Shooting: 17th Midwinter Target Tournament—2nd day.
Jan. 9 Trap Shooting: 17th Midwinter Target Tournament—3rd day.
Races: 4th Midwinter Steeple Chase.
Jan. 10 Trap Shooting: 17th Midwinter Target Tournament—4th day.
Jan. 11 Trap Shooting: 17th Annual Midwinter Target Tournament—last day.
Races: 5th Midwinter Pace.

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This Little World

TULSA, OKLAHOMA

By NEA Service.

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 28.—Celebrities who come here to inspect the oil fields meet all possible conveniences. A reception committee could offer them to go out into the forest of rigs for a day. Now, there's a field for their inspection at the city's back door, a mile from the Tulsa Country Club, where the visitors usually dine. So the inspection is safe and pleasant.

There are two flowing oil wells, five under the pump and a gusher or two in the field. When a guest arrives the owners put the wells through their paces. The black gold shoots over



the derrick. At other times the wells are throttled down to a steady flow so none of the oil will be lost.

For the inspection party the gassers are stripped of their collars and permitted to roam. This power can be heard for miles. One of the gassers came in for 60 million feet daily and a battalion of workmen spent a week choking it into submission. No one in the entire north and west end of the city could sleep until he could accustom himself to the peculiar hiss from inside the earth.

John R. Mott, head of the International Y. M. C. A., visited the gasser and its more valuable playmates the other day. Mott is a great believer in man's ability and even the mighty force the workmen released for him didn't make him look any smaller to him. What he saw was a few trained men handling one of the wildest forces of nature.

The interesting game of hunting the gravity line, which Tulsa has been

slight flavoring of the foreign extract. One might expect from the union of Hopwood and French farce something very, very naughty, but the truth is that the two are far less than smutty—than anything created entirely by Hopwood.

In brief, the plot deals with a family of yokels who come to town and show their city relatives what high-stepping really is.

This is Blanchette Ring's first appearance in a non-singing role. And the strange part about that is that the plot of "The Alarm Clock" is distinctively a musical comedy one.

PROTEST AGAINST DOCTORED HISTORY

(By The Associated Press.)

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 27.—Resolutions of protest against using history textbooks for any other purpose than that of teaching history, unbiased and fair to all peoples, were offered today at the opening session here today of the annual convention of the American Historical Association.

President Edward P. Cheyney of the association, who offered the resolutions, said the action was made necessary by the attacks in New York and other states upon history textbooks on the ground that they are unpatriotic. These groups, he asserted, say that enemies of the United States in its various ways have been praised by historians, whereas the object of history should be to teach patriotism.

History should teach facts and not propaganda and should be written by broad-minded historians giving unbiased, fair information, Dr. Cheyney asserted. Textbooks from which high school and college students are now studying history were approved by Dr. Cheyney.

Woodrow Wilson will be elected president of the organization tomorrow.

NINE DIE FROM POISON LIQUOR

(By The Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The toll of deaths from holiday bottle liquor was increased to nine today, when three men and one woman fell victims to alcoholic poisoning.

James Crowe, James Mahan and Edward Churchill died in Bellevue Hospital. Mrs. Mary Brennan, after taking three drinks of whiskey at a family celebration last night, was found dead in bed.

Manhattan hospitals reported 133 alcoholic cases. Other institutions in

HIGH FLYER



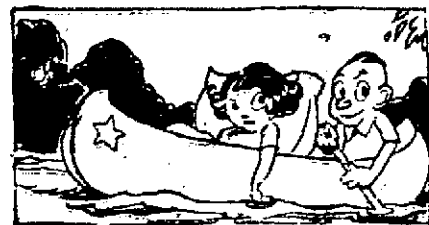
Lieutenant H. R. Rowes of the State College of Pennsylvania won the Navy "E" for proficiency in bombing. The thing he's getting so affectionately is filled with high explosive. But

playing for about two years, is nearly ended. Tulsa decided to bring mountain spring water from the Spawny, foothills of the Ozark Mountains. Engineers said two or three lifting stations would have to boost the water into the city. These would cost a couple millions to build and more millions to keep up.

J. D. Trammell, an old engineer who built the North Worth water system, came to Tulsa on a silent hunt. He found a gravity line from the hills to a low spot five miles from Tulsa and he sold his idea to the city. Now the line is about completed. Within six months 25 million gallons of pure water a day will come tumbling out of the hills to the low spot near Tulsa. One booster station will lift 10 million gallons a day into the city's mains.

With the surplus water supply Tulsa plans this:

The people have just voted a bond issue to buy a 2000-acre park around the site of the reservoir five miles from the city. There are two creeks, 20,000 pecan trees, hundreds of persimmon trees, three natural gas wells, many forest groups and a number of



natural playgrounds. The creeks will be connected and two large lakes and a number of lagoons created.

It will be possible to paddle a canoe or run a motor boat for 20 miles when the park plan is carried out. Picnickers may cook their dinners over fires fed by natural gas—merely by turning a handle.

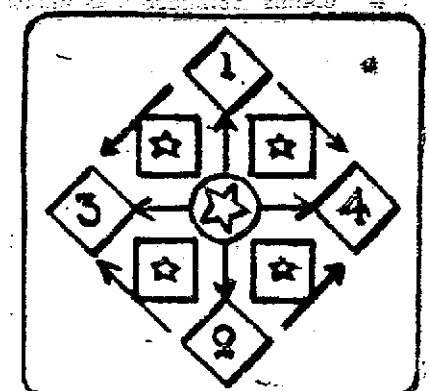
Incidentally this park of 2000 acres will be one of the largest municipal parks in the world. The park and the water project cost seven millions.

Brooklyn, the Bronx and Staten Island also were caring for poison liquor patients. Bellevue hospital alone was treating 32, seventeen of them women. Even new cases were reported today and attendants predicted all vacant cots would be filled by New Year's day.

Average price twenty industrials is up 37. Twenty rails, up 46, and 40 leading bonds off 14.

Car loadings week ended December 27th were 913,774, an increase of 78,478 over previous week and 4,600 over corresponding week in 1922.

DAILY PUZZLE



Insert one letter of the alphabet in the circle, and in each square that contains a star. Place a different letter in each of the numbered diamonds. If you use the correct letters, then: 1, star; 3, 1, star; 4, 2, star; 2, star; 4, will each form a word of three letters; while circle-1; circle-2; circle-3; and circle-4, will each form a two-letter word.

Yesterday's answer:

The smallest number of different scores needed to make a total of 26 in a football game is five: four touchdowns and a safety: 6-6-6-6-2-26.

Many persons will give 7-7-6-6 as the answer; but to make 7, two scores are necessary: the touchdown (6) and the goal (1). Thus six different scores are made in this case.

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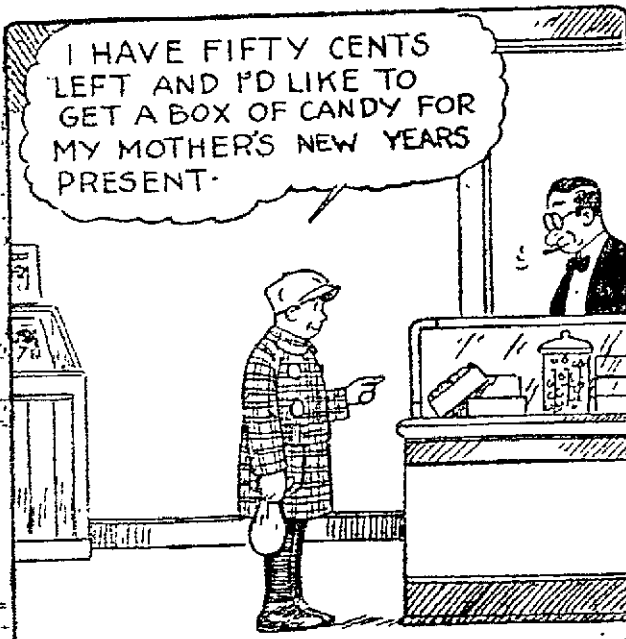
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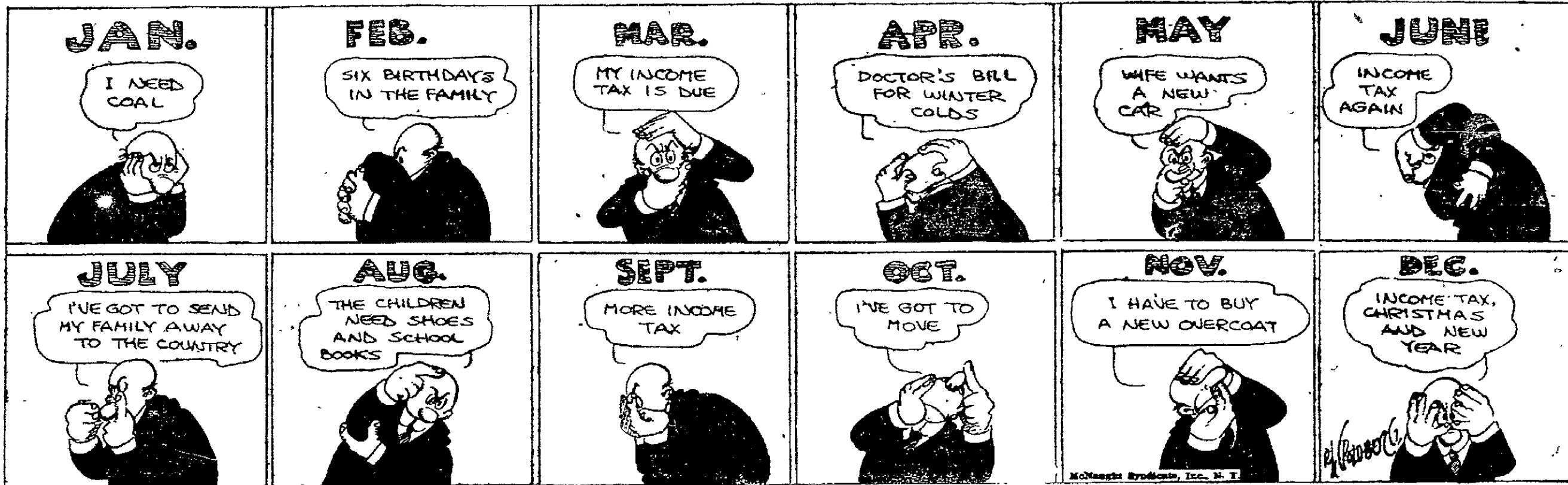
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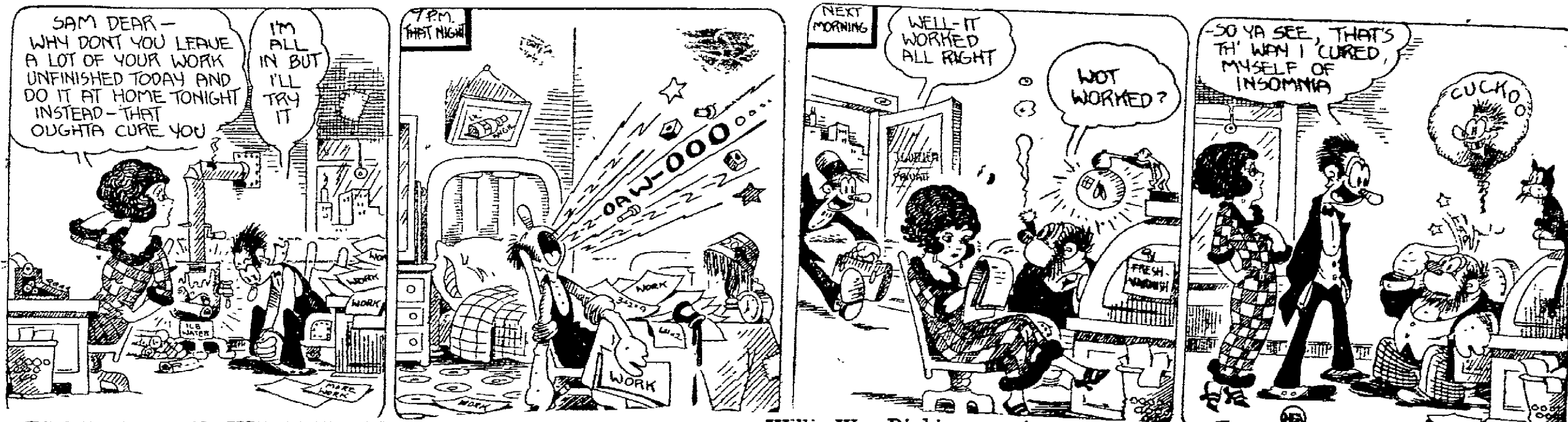
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LOST—BROWN TRAV- eling bag Saturday night on Main street between Municipal building and Lyles Garage. Finder notify B. H. Custer or call 387 and receive liberal reward. 12-26B&B1

City Taxes Now Due

Penalty will be added on all City Taxes for 1923 not paid on or before January 2nd. After that date they are subject to Levy or Garnishment. No further notice is required. D. P. GARVIN, City Collector. 12-28B5t:R4t

ORDER PUBLICATION.

Issued by order of the Clerk of the Corporation Court of Danville, entered on the 25th day of October, 1923.

VIRGINIA. In the Clerk's Office of the Corporation Court of Danville, on the 25th day of October, 1923.

Joe Beattie Plaintiff
against
Susie Beattie Defendant

IN CHANCERY
The object of this suit is to obtain from the said Court a decree divorcing the plaintiff, Joe Beattie, a vinculo matrimonii, from the said defendant, Susie Beattie, on the grounds of desertion for more than three years.

And an affidavit having been made and duly filed that the said defendant, Susie Beattie, is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, it is therefore ordered that she do appear here within ten days after publication of this order once a week for four successive weeks in The Bee, a newspaper published in the City of Danville, Virginia and do what is necessary to protect her interest in this suit.

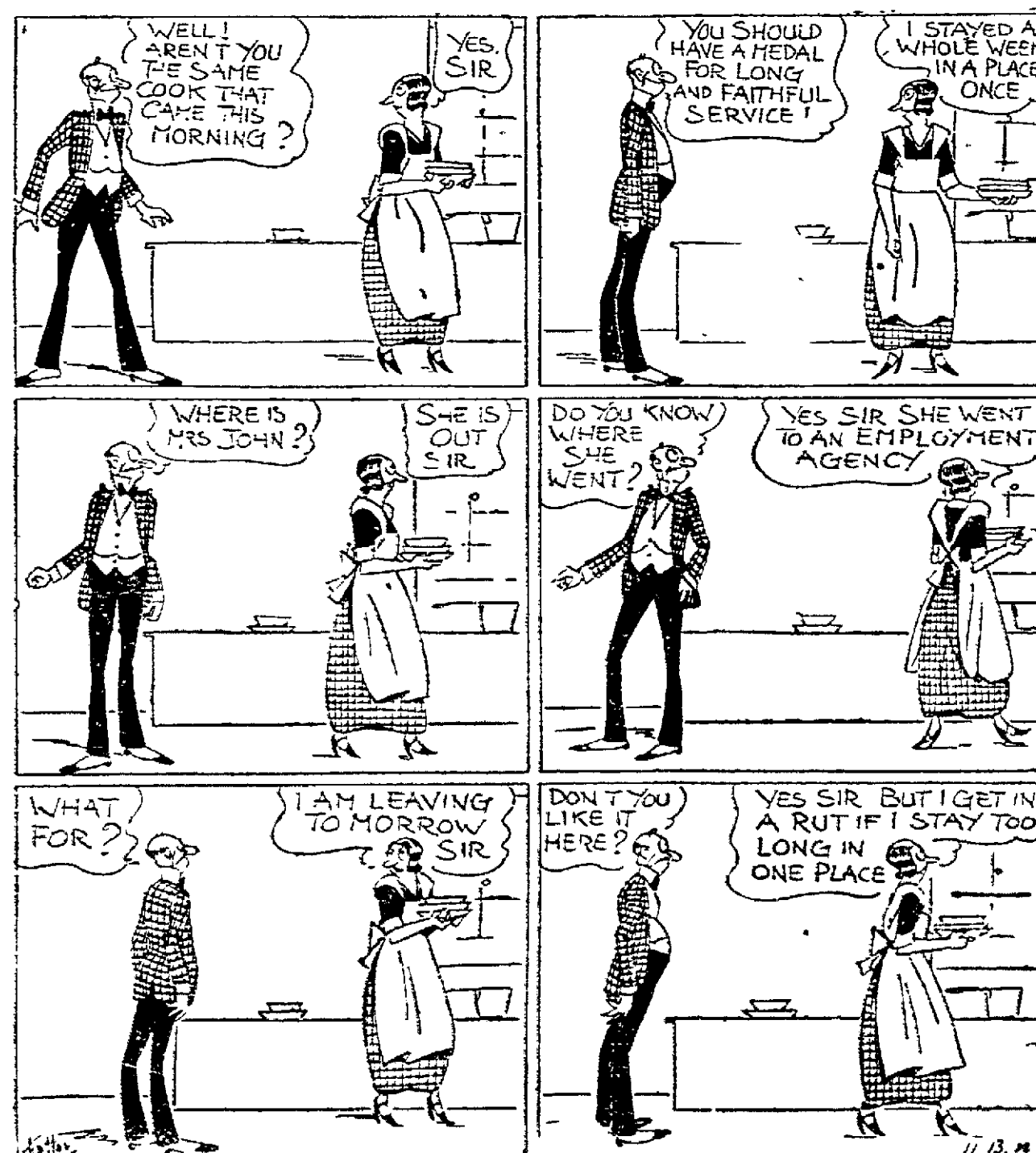
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OTIS BRADLEY, Clerk
Harry Bertram, F. C.
12-14Bfr-4m

Thsi Committee Holds Fate of Tax Bill in House



The Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives now is engaged in discussing the merits of the tax-reduction bill recommended by Secretary of the Treasury Mellon. Photo shows the committee "in action." Representative William R. Green, chairman of the committee, is shown standing in rear, near center.

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NOTICE, ODDFELLOWS!

All members of Capitola Lodge No. 52, I. O. O. F., are requested to meet at their Hall, North Main street, tomorrow, Saturday, Dec. 29th, at 2 o'clock, to attend the funeral of our deceased brother, W. R. Denny, Sr. Sister lodges and visiting brothers welcome. By order of the Noble Grand T. W. WILKINS, Secretary.

Dear Santa: Can you tell me where to exchange your washing machine for something else? Mama.

Christmas story: We had eggnog until the eggs ran out, then we had just plain nogg.

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NOTICE, JUNIORS!

All members of W. R. Graves Council No. 50, are requested to meet at their hall, No Main St., Saturday, Dec. 29th at 2 o'clock, to attend the funeral of our deceased brother, W. R. Denny, Sr. Sister Councils and visiting brothers welcome. By order of Council, W. R. PARRISH, Councillor.

MASONIC NOTICE

Brethren, attend a Saint Johns stated communication of Ramah Lodge, No. 70, A. F. & A. M., to be held in Capitola Hall, Friday, Dec. 28th, 1923, at 8 o'clock p. m. The officers for the ensuing term will be installed at this meeting. Visiting brethren welcome.

By order of W. M. J. T. Vernon, Secretary.

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MRS. VANDERBILT BETTER.

(By The Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The condition of Mrs. Wm. K. Vanderbilt, who is ill at her home here with bronchial pneumonia, was somewhat improved today. She spent a comfortable night, her physicians said.

Talbot Anderson, of St. Louis, is spending the week-end with Joseph Anderson and family, Sutherland avenue. He will return Sunday night by way of New York.

Largest lake in Europe is Lake Lagoda, in Russia, covering 7,000 square miles.

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Sales to Noon.

Anaconda Copper	36 3/4
Allied Chemical & Dye	69 1/2
Allis Chalmers	45 1/2
Amer. Smelting & Refining	58 1/2
American Locomotive	125 1/2
American Tel. & Tel.	22
American International	22
American Agr. Chem.	12 1/2
American Linseed	17 1/2
American Can	104 1/2
American Sugar	64 1/2
Am. Tob.	14 1/2
American Woolen	73 1/2
Amer. H. & L. pfd.	49 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	125 1/2
Bethlehem Steel "B"	53 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	58 1/2
Canadian Pacific	145 1/2
Coca Cola	74
Chandler Motor	66
Chesapeake & Ohio	60 1/2
Cosden & Co.	35 1/2
Corn Products	156 1/2
Continental Can	12 1/2
Crucible Steel	67
Cerro de Pasco	45
Chino Copper	17 1/2
Chile Copper	27 1/2
U.S. Cane Sugar, com.	15 1/2
do pfd.	62 1/2
Chicago, R. I. & Pac.	20 1/2
Chicago, Mtl. & St. Paul	12 1/2
do pfd.	23
Chicago & N. W.	48 1/2
Consolidated Textile	21 1/2
Erie, com.	29 1/2
do pfd.	29 1/2
General Motors	71 1/2
General Asphalt	14 1/2
Great Northern, pfd.	53 1/2
Gulf States Steel	83
Houston Oil	70 1/2
Hudson Motors	27 1/2
Int. Mer. Marine	63 1/2
do pfd.	29
Incorporated Copper	24 1/2
Inventive Oil	17 1/2
Kennecott Copper	38 1/2
Lima Locomotive	66 1/2
Missouri Pacific, com.	27 1/2
do pfd.	54
Norfolk & Western	15 1/2
New Seaboard	24 1/2
Mont Ward & Co.	21 1/2
Miami Copper	38 1/2
Marland Oil	38 1/2
Maxwell Motor "A"	102 1/2
Norfolk & Western	51 1/2
Northern Pacific	104 1/2
N. Y. N. H. & Hartford	14
Pennsylvania	41 1/2
Pacific Oil	50 1/2
Pan-American Petroleum	82 1/2
Phillips Petro.	33 1/2
Pere Marquette	97 1/2
Peoples Gas	34 1/2
Peoples & Rfrs.	34 1/2
Penn-Seaboard Steel	2 1/2
Royal Dutch N. Y.	49 1/2
Reading	77 1/2
Rav Consolidated	11 1/2
Republic Steel	50 1/2
Rep. Iron & Steel	27
Shelby Oil & Refining	86 1/2
Southern Pacific	106
Studebaker Corporation	63
S. O. of Calif.	39 1/2
S. O. of N. J.	36
Sears Roebuck	31
Southern Railway, com.	66 1/2
do pfd.	24 1/2
Skelly Oil	11 1/2
Simms Petroleum	69 1/2
Tobacco Products	89
Tobacco Prod. "A"	43 1/2
Texas Co.	126 1/2
Texas Pac. & O.	65
Union Pacific	71
U. S. Ind. Alcohol	37 1/2
United States Rubber	93 1/2
United States Steel	83
Virginia-Caro. Chem.	60 1/2
do pfd.	34
Westinghouse Electric	55 1/2
Wabash, pfd.	34
Union Carbide	55 1/2

WOMAN ROUTS
FIVE BANDITS
IN HER HOME

(By The Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—A beleaguered young woman in evening dress routed five armed bandits early today in the lobby of the West Side Apartment House in which she lives.

Mrs. Essie Simmons was left at the door by her husband, a manufacturer, in order that he might drive their car to a garage. As she stepped inside the lobby five men followed.

Two bandits covered the elevator and switchboard operators; another stood guard at the door and the other two attacked Mrs. Simmons. Unfazed by their guns, she began fighting. After ten minutes she still was on the offensive and the gang fled, two of them with black eyes and scratched faces.

Female Dove Is
Changed Into Male
Scientists Claim

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
CINCINNATI, Dec. 28.—An extraordinary story of an egg-laying female dove that was completely changed into a male through a tuberculosis infection, was told today to the American Association of Zoologists by Dr. Riddle of the Research Staff of the Carnegie Station for Experimental Biology at Cold Springs Harbor, Long Island, New York.

Dr. Riddle declared that investigations carried on during several years have proved that sex can be changed in the earliest stage of the pigeon by the reversal of sex in a full-grown bird or animal is an exceedingly rare occurrence.

He said that the result of the experiment with the dove in the case of the sex change was wholly unexpected. It was a general character of every bird in being and of every group are capable of reversal of sex and that the accomplishment of this merely awaits the discovery of the correct means of investigation in this branch of science.

Alaska has almost 400,000 square miles of land.

Mercury, the planet nearest the sun, is about 36,000 miles in diameter.

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BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Long missing dirigible Dikmude was sighted as late as Wednesday morning over point in the Sahara desert, Tunis message says.

William Ellis Corey is about to quit the United States for good and live in the south of France, the New York Times declares and that newspaper gives the financial associates of the former steel magnate as authority for the story.

William Fielding Ogburn, Columbia University, tells sociologists at Washington that married men are less inclined to disease, insanity and commission of crime than bachelors.

Typhoid fever death rate last year in the United States was the lowest ever registered in the registration area—7.5 per 100,000 people and total typhoid deaths were 9,881.

Leonard Wood, Jr., announces in Washington that he and Miss Dolores Graves, San Francisco actress whose name recently was announced, have decided not to marry.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Irregular price changes took place at the opening of today's stock market. Most of the oils displayed a firm tone but selling pressure was again in evidence in a number of specialties. Corn products dropped 1-1/2, Davison Chemical 1 and Schulte Stores 3-4. Consolidated Cigar sold 6-1/2 points above its previous sale and Pure Oil moved up 3-4.

Losses exceeded gains in the early dealings, Davison Chemical extending its loss to two points and Tobacco Products, Schulte, Cuyamel Fruit, American Woolen, American Ice and Peoples Gas dropping a point or more. A subsequent 2-1/4 point rally in tobacco products and a brisk demand for U. S. Industrial Alcohol eventually steadied the list. Philip Morris, U. S. Realty, Columbia Carbon and Underwood Typewriter selling a point or more above yesterday's closing prices. Foreign exchanges opened firm.

NEW YORK COTTON.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The cotton market was rather irregular at the opening today, first prices being six points lower to 13 points higher with near months relatively easy under light liquidation. About 74 additional January notices were reported, but the offerings of both January and March were soon absorbed and active months generally sold about 9 to 22 points net higher. General business was quiet but the tone of the market was steady around 38.08 for March deliveries on bullish overnight advices from the southern spot markets and the fairly steady showing of Liverpool.

January 35.45
March 35.83
May 36.05
July 35.26
October 29.25

OPENING STOCK LETTER.

Thomson & McKinnon.
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—As we near the close of the year, transactions are made on the stock exchange which you would hardly class as normal—a sort of cleaning up process. Some may have taxes in mind, some may have inventory before them, some may want a clean slate just on general principles. And all this accounts for the large number of issues, included in yesterday's trading.

But when we enter the new year we will be back again to fundamentals and we will have a question of merit. If we have the kind of business that I anticipate and the legislation that seems likely, it won't make much difference who opposes the market—the trend will be upward and when it is you can't stop it any more than you can interfere with the tides.

As an indication of what is coming, unions in the building trades have voted approval of a new wage scale which will give 100,000 men a higher wage and ensure continuous building for the next two years.

And, incidentally, don't overlook the fact that oil is going up and mostly likely to continue to go up.

Edward P. Farley, asks President Coolidge to withdraw his nomination as commissioner of the Shipping Board.

United States warns Honduras that it disapproves any attempt by a government to keep itself in power except by accepted constitutional processes.

Congressional attention to Washington bootleg conditions involving diplomatic liquor stocks appear certain, capital advices declare.

Senator McNary, of Oregon, will be married in Chicago Saturday to Miss Cornelia W. Morton, formerly of Boston.

Rear Admiral Moffett declares that the conditions of the naval reserve force for the Navy Air Service, is deplorable.

Death at Fort Totten, N. D., of Rev. Jerome Hunt, Catholic Indian missionary and religious teacher among the Sioux Indians for 46 years.

TICKER TALK

Thomson & McKinnon

NEW YORK, June 28.—Corn Products meet today 2 p. m. for dividend action.

Tokio cabinet resigns.

Persia expected to seek \$10,000,000 loan here following concession to Sinclair group.

President will withdraw nomination of Edw. P. Farley as chairman of Shipping Board and permit him to resign recess appointment.

U. S. Rubber Company will advance mechanical goods into which cotton and yarn enter ten per cent. on January 1.

Pennsylvania car loadings week end December 22 were 148,694 against 148,941, preceding week and 141,272 same week 1922.

I. C. Nov. net \$2,142,350 against \$2,138,934 No. 1922. 11 months \$22,422,172 against 23,247,660.

Northwestern November net \$1,698,825 against 1,327,182 November 1922. Eleven months 14,045,812 against 15,371,144.

Pittsburgh and Lake Erie November net 966,491 against 1,541,035 November, 1922. Eleven months 15,100,667 against 4,224,80.

Powell Field production running between 8,000 and 82,000 barrels oil daily against average 82,000 last week.

New Haven November net \$1,294,747 against 423,813 Nov. 1922. Eleven months \$11,436,626 against \$11,414,412.

Car loadings week ended December 15, 399,522, decrease 14,252 from preceding week but increase 20,470 over 1922 period.

Great Northern November net increase \$1,495,157; eleven months increase \$7,209,094.

New York Federal Reserve Bank ratio 75.7 week ago 72.6; year ago 80. Federal Reserve System 73.3; week ago 75.7; year ago 72.1.

Average 20 industrials 94.98, off .62; 20 rails 79.81 off .31; 40 bonds 86.62 off .04.

OPENING COTTON LETTER

Thomson & McKinnon.
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—After a big advance, yesterday's break was a natural setback, great deal of profit taking on the eve of the New Year's holiday.

After the turn of the year look for active markets and think cotton will seek a higher plane.

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NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 28.—Sufficient selling orders were in brokers hands on the opening of the cotton market today to cause declines of 1 to 5 points but after the call buying was stimulated by reports of large spot transactions, both locally and at interior points. A line of 2,000 bales of cotton to arrive was traded in after hours yesterday in New Orleans. At the end of the first half hour of business prices were 9 to 17 points over the last sales of yesterday with January up to 38.90 and October up to 28.90.

January	35.90
March	35.93
May	35.76
July	35.06
October	28.75

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Macaroni--Spaghetti

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Sunnyfield

Pancake or Buckwheat Package 8 1/2c

Butter

1 Pound in 1-4 Cubes 62c

Pure Lard 17c Lard Compound 16c

Mince Meat

A&P 12c None-Such 16c Atmore's 18c

"Iona" Brand Vegetables

Corn No. 2 Can 10c Beans No. 2 Can 15c String Beans Can 2 1-2
Tomatoes, No. 3 Lima Beans, No. 2 Can 42c

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1 Can 25c Peaches Can 42c

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